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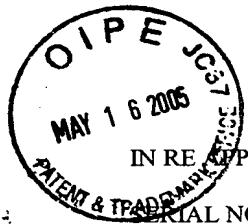
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IN RE APPLICATION OF:  
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EXAMINER NO.:  
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Wagner et al.

09/855,120

GROUP ART UNIT: 3629

FILED: May 14, 2001

EXAMINER: Jon. M. Bass

TITLE: "POSTAGE METER MACHINE, AND METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ENABLING A POSTAGE METER MACHINE"

AMENDMENT "A"

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED   |  |       |  |  |   |                          |  |
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|   | (2)<br>CLAIMS<br>REMAINING<br>AFTER<br>AMENDMENT |       | (4)<br>HIGHEST NO.<br>PREVIOUSLY<br>PAID FOR | (5)<br>PRESENT<br>EXTRA                    | (6)<br>RATE                                 | (7)<br>ADDITIONAL<br>FEE |  |
| TOTAL CLAIMS  | 11   | MINUS | **20   | X  | ( ) X 9.00<br>( ) X 18.00                   |                          |  |
| INDEP. CLAIMS   | 3  | MINUS | 3  | X  | ( ) X 44.00<br>( ) X 88.00                  |                          |  |
| Application amended to contain<br>any multiple dependent claims<br>not previously paid for. |  |       |  | ( ) YES<br>( ) NO                          | ( ) \$150.00<br>( ) \$300.00<br>ONE<br>TIME |                          |  |
|   |  |       |  | TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE<br>FOR THIS AMENDMENT |   | \$0.00                   |  |

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A check in the amount of \$ 180.00 is attached.

A check for \$ 180.00 accompanying IDS under 37 CFR 1.97(c) is attached

A check for \$ \_\_\_\_ and Petition for Consideration of IDS under 37 CFR 1.97(d) is attached.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to account No. 501519. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated February 17, 2005, Applicants herewith amend the application as follows.

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